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NOTICE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE REGARDING DBP/USPS-63 AND PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING NO. R97-1/53 (October 31, 1997)

Presiding Officer's Ruling No. R97–1/53 (October 30, 1997) directs the Postal Service to answer Popkin 63(a-g), among others. In fact, interrogatory 63 was redirected to witness Degen, a complete and timely response (in accordance with P.O. Ruling No. R97-1/21) was filed on September 29, and that response was designated and appears in the transcript at Tr. 12/6149–50. Unfortunately, the Postal Service's attempt to indicate that this question had already been answered by omitting it from the list of acknowledged outstanding interrogatories when responding to Mr. Popkin's motion to compel was apparently ineffective.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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